

LOW INCOME COUNTRIES/GLOBAL ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing entitled “Implications of the G–20 Leaders Summit for Low Income Countries and the Global Economy.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS BUDGET

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held a hearing on Building Capacity to Protect U.S. National Security: The Fiscal Year 2010 International Affairs Budget. Testimony was heard from Jacob J. Lew, Deputy Secretary, Management and Resources, Department of State.

HOMELAND SECURITY BUDGET

Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled “The President’s FY 2010 Budget Request for the Department of Homeland Security.” Testimony was heard from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 848, amended, Performance Rights Act; and H.R. 2344, Webster Settlement Act of 2009.

The Committee began consideration of the following bills: H.R. 1741, Witness Security and Protection Grant Program Act of 2009; and H.R. 2247, Congressional Review Act Improvement Act.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business, including a resolution expanding the responsibilities of the impeachment task force to conduct an inquiry into whether U.S. District Judge Samuel B. Kent should be impeached.

STRENGTHENING FORENSIC SCIENCE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on the National Research Council’s publication “Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States: A Path Forward.” Testimony was heard from Kenneth Melson, Acting Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and former Director, Executive Office for the U.S. Attorneys, Department of Justice; Pete Marone, Director, Department of Forensic Science, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

MIGRATORY BIRD CONSERVATION MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1916, Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act; H.R.

2062, Migratory Bird Treaty Act Penalty and Enforcement Act of 2009; and H.R. 2188, Joint Ventures for Bird Habitat Conservation Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Representative Dingell; Paul Schmidt, Assistant Director, Migratory Birds, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Kristin Saunders Evans, Assistant Secretary, Land Resources, Department of Natural Resources, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

AIG COLLAPSE AND RESCUE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing on AIG: Where is the Taxpayer’s Money Going? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2346, the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009. The rule provides for one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides that the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit the bill with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Obey and Representatives Kaptur, Doggett, Hinojosa, Cuellar, Lewis of California and Wolf.

NATIONAL CLIMATE SERVICE ACT

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment approved for full Committee action, as amended, the National Climate Service Act of 2009.

JOB CREATION THROUGH ENTREPRENEURSHIP ACT OF 2009; AUTO INDUSTRY SMALL SUPPLIERS MANUFACTURERS

Committee on Small Business: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2352, Job Creation Through Entrepreneurship Act of 2009.

The Committee also held a hearing entitled “The Role of Small Business Suppliers and Manufacturers in the Domestic Auto Industry.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.